## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:	§ Attorney Docket No. 31132.165 / PC869.02
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For: Bone Removal Device and Method	§
of Use	Confirmation No. 5975

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE

This Amendment is being submitted concurrently with an RCE request. Entry of the following amendments is respectfully requested.